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REJECTION IN HUMAN XENOTRANSPLANTATION

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Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention several minor errors in the porcine α -1,3 galactosyltransferase nucleic acid (Figure 4; SEQ ID NO: 7) and amino acid (Figure 5; SEQ ID NO: 10) sequences disclosed in the above-referenced application, of which the Applicants have become aware. Nucleotide No. 463 of SEQ ID NO: 7 should be a "T" rather than an "A." The amino acid of the corresponding codon (No. 125 of SEQ ID NO: 7 and SEQ ID NO: 10) should be "Tyr" rather than "Asn." Likewise, nucleotides No.'s 1071-1072 of SEQ ID NO: 7 should be "CC" rather than "AA." The amino acids of the corresponding codons (No.'s 327 and 328 of SEQ ID NO: 7 and SEQ ID NO: 10) should be "Phe Leu" rather than "Leu Ile." For the Examiner's information, nucleotide No. 463 occurs in exon 8. Nucleotide No.'s 1071-1072 occur in exon 9; the corresponding codons 327-328 (Phe-Leu) are over 300 nucleotides downstream of a preferred site of inactivation at codons 221-222, described in the specification at page 32, lines 15-25.

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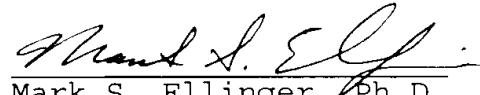
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